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SUBJECT: GNZ ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF NEW SECRETARY
FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT

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1. GNZ HAS JUST ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR J W H (HARRY) CLARK AS THE NEW SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (DTI). HE WAS FORMERLY A DEPUTY SECRETARY. HIS APPOINTMENT IS REPORTED AS BEING EXPECTED TO STRENGTHEN THE DTI'S CLOUT IN OVERSEAS TRADE POLICY AS CLARK IS AN EXPERIENCED NEGOTIATOR IN BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL TRADE MATTERS, INCLUDING EXPERIENCE IN THE GATT. WITH THE FORTHCOMING GATT MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS HE IS EXPECTED TO MAKE A KEY CONTRIBUTION TO THE APPROACH NZ ADOPTS.

2. MR CLARK JOINED THE PUBLIC SERVICE IN 1946 AND TRANSFERRED TO THE DTI IN 1953 AS AN INVESTIGATING OFFICER IN THE COMMODITY DIVISION. FROM 1957 TO 1960
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HE SERVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION UNTIL HE WAS SECONDED AS SECRETARY TO THE NEW ZEALAND STEEL INVESTIGATING COMPANY LIMITED. HE REJOINED THE DTI IN 1962 IN THE EXPORT SERVICES DIVISION. FROM 1963 TO 1968 HE SERVED IN TRADE RELATIONS DIVISION AND WAS APPOINTED DIRECTOR, TRADE RELATIONS AND ECONOMICS DIVISION IN APRIL 1968. IN 1969 HE BECAME ASSISTANT

SECRETARY, TRADE POLICY DIVISION. HE WAS INVOLVED IN THE NEGOTIATIONS WHICH RESULTED IN THE SETTING UP OF NEW ZEALAND STEEL LTD, PACIFIC STEEL LTD AND THE OIL REFINERY. HIS APPOINTMENT AS DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DTI CAME IN DECEMBER 1974. HIS DUTIES HAVE INVOLVED THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DTI'S OVERSEAS TRADE FUNCTIONS AND INVOLVEMENT IN TRADE TALKS AND NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY ARRANGEMENTS AND BRITISH ACCESS TO THE EEC. MR. CLARK, WHO WILL ASSUME HIS APPOINTMENT ON OCTOBER 1, SHOULD PROVE AN EFFECTIVE SUPPORT FOR HIS MINISTER WITHIN THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT.

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